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Office Action Summary

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 20 February 2004.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 43-57 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 43, 48-52, 56 and 57 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 44-47 and 53-55 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date 2/20/04; 7/13/07.
- ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
- ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

Claim Objections

1. Claim 55 objected to because of the following informalities: Claim 55 should depend from claim 54. Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

2. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

3. Claims 43,48-52,56 and 57 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Daly et al. (US 2004/0032611).

Regarding **claim 43**, Daly et al. teach a graphical user interface (para. 34, lines 5+) comprising: a first parent window (inherent in display 262) including: a first display control configured to display a child window (inherent in display 262) listing a plurality of first filters (para. 30, controller 162 coordinates various components of the printer driver 156, ensuring that the proper filters are applied in the proper order) having instructions corresponding to a print operation, and a second display control configured to display a list of second filters (the ability of the user respond to prompts regarding which filters are to be applied, i.e., manually select a filter).

Regarding **claim 48**, Daly teaches that the second display control displays a list of predetermined filters (para. 30, filter list 168).

Regarding **claim 49**, Daly teaches that the plurality of first filters is a list of available filters on a designated storage medium (para. 36,37 dynamic link libraries; para. 46 mass storage device 272).

Regarding **claim 50**, Daly teaches that the child window further includes: a third display control configured to display a list of available filters on a computer hard drive (para. 46, last sentence through para. 47).

Regarding **claim 51**, Daly teaches that the child window further includes: a third display control configured to display a list of available filters on a printer hard drive (para. 46, last sentence through para. 47).

Regarding **claim 52**, Daly teaches that the child window further includes: a third display control configured to display a list of available filters on a server controlling a plurality of computers networked to a printer (para. 46, last sentence through para. 47).

Regarding **claim 56**, Daly teaches that the first parent window further includes: a third display control configured to display a list of third filters (para. 36,37 dynamic link libraries; para. 46 mass storage device 272).

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Regarding **claim 57**, Daly teaches that the list of third filters include a list of all filters available to the user (para. 36,37 dynamic link libraries are updated at run time).

Allowable Subject Matter

4. Claims 44-47 and 53-55 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.


Conclusion

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Kimberly A. Williams whose telephone number is (571) 272-7471. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Edward L. Coles can be reached on (571) 272-7402. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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